Telework in NOAA Fisheries--A New Way of Doing Business

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW!

What Should the Employee Do?

- 1. Review the NOAA Fisheries Telework Implementation Plan.
- 2. Complete the NOAA Orientation Module located at http://www.rdc.noaa.gov/%7Ehrmo/telwk-orientation.htm
- 3. Complete the NOAA Fisheries Telework Application and Agreement
- 4. Submit application/agreement to supervisor for approval/disapproval. (NOTE: In the event of a denial, employees are encourage to discuss with their supervisor the reasons that the request has been denied.

What Should the Immediate Supervisor Do?

- 1. Supervisors are responsible for the overall management of the program within their area.
- 2. Supervisors will receive employee applications and agreements, providing the initial review, approval/disapproval of Telework Assignment/Agreement.
- 3. Supervisors will forward requests to Approving Official for final review, approval/disapproval.
- 4. Supervisor will maintain the original application with signatures in their office. This should include a copy of any documents justifying a denial. A file copy will be forwarded to the SEFSC Telework Liaison.

What Should the Approving Official Do?

- 1. When necessary, the Approving Official will provide guidance to the Supervisor as it relates to identification of functions or positions suitable for telework.
- 2. Provide second line review, and approval/disapproval on all requests for Telework. (Any request disapproved must be accompanied with a documented reason for the disapproval.)
- 3. Provide authorization of the expenditure of funds to cover expenses associated with approved Telework. (NOTE: In keeping with DOC policy, NOAA Fisheries will not reimburse employees for any costs associated with personal computer equipment see page 14 of Telework Implementation Plan.)

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